

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL AMENDMENT NO. 04

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RESPONSE DATE TO THIS

AMENDMENT: April 12, 2004 (See Item Three below)

To all Offerors: The purpose of this amendment is to:

ITEM ONE:

Revise Section D, Objectives, of the Statement of Work, to add an option item, (with a period of performance consisting of twelve months), for an additional clinical efficacy trial to be funded under the contract.

## ITEM TWO:

Clarify the task referenced under A. Introduction, item 6, "Broadly and equitably disseminate state of the art measurement tools and methodological strategies to evaluate the efficacy of treatments for cognitive deficits in schizophrenia."

The general requirements of the task are: a) The provision of sufficient copies of a high quality standardized version of the NIMH/MATRICS NANS Core Test Material; b) The provision of an instruction manual describing standardized procedures for test administration; c) The establishment of a help desk, software maintenance and inventory (to allow rapid fulfillment of customer orders) for a minimum of five years; d) The provision of a Final Battery Package for sales and distribution that includes the Core Test Materials, administrative manuals and a

computerized data entry and scoring system to facilitate use of the Battery in large scale clinical trials; e) Development of appropriate upgrades and derivatives (i.e foreign language versions). Specific requirements of the task include:

- Establishment of a test development committee
- Negotiation of licensing fees
- Creation of a prototype of the test component for advance NIMH review
- A bench test of the Windows version of the test component (, creation of a standardized version)?
- Maintenance of sufficient inventory for five years after the Battery is released for use by trial sites
- Creation of a computerized data entry and test scoring system
- Creation of a fee schedule for licensing and distribution
- Formulation of a distribution plan
- Marketing of a Final Battery Package
- Provision of copies of the Battery to sites under this contract
- Maintenance of the Battery in a catalogue
- Provision of customer support for five years (i.e. help desk)

## ITEM THREE:

Your attention is directed to the provision entitled "Submission, Modification, Revision and Withdrawals of Proposals" FAR 15.208 available in full text at: <a href="http://www.arnet.gov/far">http://www.arnet.gov/far</a>
Please review this provision so that you will be fully aware of the time requirements for submitting your proposal.

In accordance with FAR 52.215-5, (October 1997), entitled Facsimile Proposals, facsimile proposals are authorized